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High Court annuls election of Mayor Rukmini Madegowda as Corporator

Election for new Mayor on June 11

Mysuru, June 2 (RKB&DM)- A week after the Karnataka High Court annulled the election of Mysuru Mayor Rukmini Madegowda as an MCC Corporator, the city is going for a fresh Mayoral polls on June 11.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag said that the MCC received a copy of the Karnataka High Court order yesterday terminating the election of Rukmini Madegowda of the JD(S) from Ward 36 (Yaraganahalli & Ambedkar Colony) in the 2018 MCC polls.

The Court's order was discussed in detail with Regional Commissioner of Mysuru Revenue Division G.C. Prakash this morning and the new election date is fixed for June 11.

Asserting that the new Mayor's election will be held on June 11 with all COVID SOPs in place even though the stringent COVID-induced lockdown in force in the State extends beyond June 7, Shilpa Nag said that currently the Deputy Mayor is in-charge of Mayor's Office.

Rukmini Madegowda

Clarifying that the reservation for Mayoral polls (General category woman) will remain the same, the Commissioner reiterated that the polls will be held in accordance with the protocol.

Corporator Rukmini Madegowda was elected as Mayor on Feb. 24, 2021. The JD(S), which is currently ruling the MCC in coalition with Congress, had taken a big gamble by fielding Rukmini as its Mayoral candidate, despite the fact that an election plea was pending against her in the High Court.

With Rukmini's disqualification as Corporator, the strength of the 65 member MCC Council has come down to 64.

Meanwhile, soon as the date for a fresh Mayoral election was announced, political activities have resumed in the three major political parties — BJP, Congress and JD(S). The name of senior-most member in the MCC Council Sunanda Palanetra (BJP), who lost out in the race for Mayor polls held in Feb. this year, has again come to the limelight for the Mayor Office, with BJP hoping to strike a deal with the JD(S) this time round.

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Be Warned

Lose licence if you break COVID guidelines: Police Commissioner

Dr. Chandragupta

Mysuru, June 2 (RK&DM)- With reports of non-essential commodities shops too opened on Monday last in violation of strict COVID guidelines, City Police Commissioner Dr. Chandragupta has warned that the Trade Licence of such shops will be suspended for a month if they are found open tomorrow (Thursday) in violation of guidelines.

Due to rising COVID caseload in the district, Deputy Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri on May 27 had ordered enforcement of a stringent 10-day lockdown from May 29 to June 7, according to which only provision stores and other shops selling essential commodities were allowed to open only on Mondays and Thursdays from 6 am to 12 noon.

But on Monday last (May 31), many other shops such as salons, beauty parlours, stationery shops, fancy stores,welding and vulcanising shops and other businesses were found open in some parts of the city, resulting in traffic jams and crowding, which defeated the very purpose of the 10-day lockdown to contain the virus spread.

Taking serious note of this, the Police Commissioner has issued instructions to ensure stringent enforcement of the lockdown. Dr. Chandragupta said that barring milk booths, meat shops, provision stores, food grain stores, hotels (only takeaway service), medical shops, petrol bunks and such other essential services, all other shops are ordered to remain closed on Thursday, when the lockdown is relaxed for 6 hours from 6 am to 12 noon.

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Oxygen buses breathe life into COVID patients

After meeting city's requirements, oxygen-on-wheels to move to Taluks

Mysuru, June 2 (MTY,LNY & BCT)- Oxygen on wheels is the new reality and the six oxygen-on-wheels (buses converted into vehicles carrying Liquid Medical Oxygen) are doing yeomen service to the city by ensuring that the life-saving gas reaches the patient on time and at any hour of the day.

Now, as the city is self-sufficient with thousands of jumbo cylinders straight from the refilling plants and many oxygen concentrators purchased by the Government and also donated by voluntary organisations and philanthropists, the oxygen-on-wheels will move to Taluks of Mysuru.

The biggest struggle that patients and their relatives face is finding beds, with many seen gasping for air in vehicles outside hospitals. The purpose of such buses is to stabilise the health condition of virus-infected patients requiring emergency oxygen support. These modified buses have proved a boon to many COVID-infected patients who are having breathlessness and desperately require oxygen.

One of the oxygen buses that shifted patients from a COVID Care Centre to a Diagnostic Centre near JSS Hospital last evening.

The buses are stationed in front of hospitals and medical facilities offering COVID care. If the patients are unable to get the bed in the facilities, they can board the bus and remain until they get a bed in that particular facility or another hospital. Transportation is free.

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STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Wednesday 2nd June 2021

NEP-2020 will be implemented from this year despite COVID: Minister

Tumakuru, June 2 (UNI) - Deputy Chief Minister Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan, who is also Minister for Higher Education, said that the National Education Policy-2020 (NEP-2020) will be implemented from this year despite COVID-19.

Inaugurating the International Virtual Conference on Biotechnology and Industry held at Siddhartha Higher Education Academy here recently, he said the new Education Policy is the answer to all the problems faced by in the country's educational system, students and parents.

According to NEP, the entire society is leading the educational institutions and the same institutions should be followed by the industries. He asserted that the most essential human resource for the industry must come from educational institutions.

In the meantime, all preparations have already been made for the implementation of the Education Policy, which has been delayed due to COVID and the policy will provide access to quality teaching and quality learning, as well as open up multi-subject learning, he added.

It is true that educational institutions must have global quality infrastructure. However, the Government is generous in this regard. It is not argued that all facilities should be made by educational institutions. Instead, the Government has given free opportunities to develop facilities and enter into agreements with industrial institutes or any global educational institute, he added.

Stating that internship period of students studying in technical and professional courses has been extended to one year due to the need for quality HR in the industry and all industry representatives, including NASSCOM, have come forward to cooperate in this connection.

He said that ITI, GTTC, Diploma course has already been completely revised as per AICTE standard and the students are already studying in the new text.

Dr. G. Parameshwara, Chancellor, Siddhartha Higher Education Academy and Dr. Balashetti, VC, were present.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Look at how politically charged the situation is, and therefore how much stress it puts on Officers. Reports suggest Centre was unhappy that Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee and Chief Secretary Alapan Bandyopadhyay left a meeting chaired by PM Modi to review cyclone damage and relief efforts. She was apparently unhappy that her political bete noire Suvendu Adhikari was at the meeting. The Bengal CM hasn't clarified whether Bandyopadhyay sought her permission to continue in the meeting. But the fact is, by service rules, he also reports to the PM. Mamata claims the PM allowed both of them to leave. But the Central "disciplinary" action against the IAS Officer suggests otherwise. Many variants of such a drama may play out as politics becomes increasingly abrasive. What does that do to the morale and efficacy of the men and women whose job is to administer a vast, complex country?

IAS and IPS Officers serve their elected political masters. But they should not be expected to serve the politics of their masters. That's the red line that should not be crossed, but sadly is crossed with increasing impunity, by both politicians, and even more sadly, by more than a few bureaucrats. The brutal truth is that an Officer who has to navigate the treacherous waters of bitterly antagonistic politics is an Officer afraid to take the right administrative call. The cumulative effect of a timorous and politically-buffeted bureaucracy has already cost India. The Bandyopadhyay episode reminds us that cost can go up manifold.

Centre-State standoffs are particularly hard on IAS-IPS Officers because of the duality governing their postings. The political executive at Centre and States must therefore, no matter how bitter their political fight, never abandon the consultative process. Sardar Patel's steel frame now has the look of a battered tin frame. It's the responsibility of every politician to change that. — *In The Times of India*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Woodworker's amazing 3D wood sculptures

Tokyo: A Japanese woodworker has developed a "three-dimensional wood inlay" technique that allows him to create exceptional artworks that require no coloring whatsoever.

The creations of Japanese woodworker Toru Fukuda from Otoineppu Village, Hokkaido, are on a whole other level. The young craftsman garnered attention recently for his latest work, a simple wooden board with droplets of water on it. Only that water is actually wood that only looks like water. And that's just one of the incredible creations Fukuda has produced, some of which look too good to be true.

"I carved water droplets from wood," Toru Fukuda, tweeted last week. His cryptic message left his fans wondering what he had come up with this time, and when he uploaded a photo of his latest artwork, they were not disappointed.

Lamborghini exhaust used to cook meat

Beijing: A young Lamborghini owner got his five minutes of online fame by trying to barbecue some skewered pork with the car's fiery exhaust and incurring about $80,000 in repair costs.

A few days ago, a group of men gathered around an orange Lamborghini sports car in an underground garage in Changsha, Hunan Province, to witness the cooking of what many have called the world's most expensive skewered pork. Apparently, the luxury car owner and his friend decided that it would be fun to use the Lamborghini's super hot exhaust to barbecue a small piece of meat skewered on a stick.

The water tank blew up and the expensive sports car was engulfed in white vapor and the crowd moved back until the steam dissipated.

HEALTH CAPSULE

The most common lifestyle related reasons for indigestion are improper choice of foods, irregular mealtimes, lack of regular exercise, poor sleep, high levels of stress, consumption of alcohol and smoking.

Dr. Anoop Alva - Consultant Gastroenterology & Hepatology

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Several decades of studies have shown that saturated fat may be completely harmless. A massive 2010 study reviewed data from 21 studies involving 3,47,747 individuals. Researchers found no association between the consumption of saturated fat and heart disease.

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

DATES	MAY 31	JUNE 1
Day's Positive Cases	1,171	1,153
Total Positive Cases	1,42,815	1,43,968
Day's Discharges	1,893	1,617
Total Discharges	1,26,106	1,27,723
Day's Deaths	13	15
Total Deaths	1,624	1,639
Total Active Cases	15,085	14,606

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

Online Panchatantra story-telling session for a cause

Mysuru, June 2- Rotary Club of Mysore East has organised online weekend story-telling sessions of Panchatantra fables for children.

An amount of Rs. 50 per child per session will be charged and the proceeds of the ongoing weekend activity will be utilised towards the food, clothing and medicines cost of the needy people, homeless children and their parents who are rendered without food and basic needs during the pandemic times.

For details, donors may contact Rotarian Renu on Mob: 99005-10715.

REALLY...?

- *There are more micro-organisms in a handful of soil than there are people on earth.*
- *It takes 500 years to produce just under an inch of topsoil, this is the most productive layer of soil.*
- *It greatly reduces flood risk by storing up to 9,200 tonnes of water per acre. In total, that's about 0.01% of the Earth's total water.*
- *Soil is a living system. It acts as a filter for underground water, filtering out pollutants.*
- *Approximately 10% of the world's carbon dioxide emissions are stored in soil.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Man walking down the street meets a friend who has a lobster tucked under his arm. "Are you taking that lobster home to dinner?" he asks. "No," says friend, "he's had his dinner and now I'm taking him to the pictures."

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 73.22
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 103.63
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.93
1 Euro	= Rs. 89.48

VOICE OF THE READER

City streets in the dark for want of LED bulbs

Sir,

Street-lights, especially the LED variety, which were changed from Tubelight, Halogen, Sodium and Mercury vapour bulbs, with much fanfare in previous years, are dying one by one and keeping the city streets dark. Dark streets are open invitations to chain-snatchers and other illegal activities. Complaints of street-lights not working are being ignored by MCC saying that LED bulbs are out of stock, tenders have been issued etc., for the last two years and keeping the people in the dark.

In the meantime, MCC had said that proposal to replace all 80,000 street-lights and 2,300 Ring Road lights to LED were approved by Government and a sum of Rs. 108 crore was also released in 2018. The MCC Commissioner had also claimed that an International Tender, on PPP model, had been called for this purpose. Whatever happened to this project?

MCC was supposed to save the electricity and maintenance charges incurred yearly on these street-lights and repay the Government. Will the present MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag throw some light on this dark problem?

—Malavika Gubbivani,
District Convener,
Aam Aadmi Party
Mysuru
15.5.2021

State Youth Online Chess Championship from June 3

Mysuru, June 2- United Karnataka Chess Association (UKCA) will be conducting its first Online Chess Tournament from June 3 to 12, for both boys and girls in the following categories:

June 3 and 4: U-18 (players should be born on or after 1.1.2003); **June 5 and 6:** U-16 (players should be born on or after 1.1.2005); **June 7 and 8:** U-14 (players should be born on or after 1.1.2007); **June 9 and 10:** U-12 (players should be born on or after 1.1.2009); **June 11 and 12:** U-10 (players should be born on or after 1.1.2011).

Top 2 players in each category will represent Karnataka in the upcoming National Youth Online Chess Championship.

AICF Registration is mandatory to participate in the State selection. Hence, players should complete their AICF registration online on AICF website.

The event will be held on TORNELO platform. For details, log on to ***www.karnatakachess.com*** or call Joint Secretary Manjunath Jain on Mob: +9190364-64600, according to a press release from UKCA General Secretary Arvind Shastry.

Government plans to jab II PU students who wish to write offline exam

Bengaluru, June 2 (SSV)- The State Government is thinking of vaccinating those students who will appear for offline second PU annual examination in the wake of current COVID-19 pandemic second wave, opined Primary and Secondary Education Minister Suresh Kumar.

Talking to reporters here yesterday, he said the final decision in this regard will be taken after consulting health and educational experts. In fact, a few experts have recommended vaccinating those second year PU students who wish to write the annual examination offline.

"Vaccinating these students is quite challenging as the Government of India has allowed inoculating the population above 18 years of age. Anyhow, I will discuss with Health and Medical Education Minister Dr. Sudhakar before finalising it," he added.

Ganabharathi's online concert

Mysuru, June 2- Continuing the efforts to support art, Ganabharathi has organised an online music concert on June 4 at 6 pm — Nagaswara recital by Vid. Srikanth accompanied by Vid. Yashasvi on violin and Vid. Vikram Bharadwaj on mridanga. The concert will be available on Ganabharathi's YouTube channel and Facebook page, according to a press release from A. Radhesh, Executive Committee Member, Ganabharathi [Mob: 94480-51564].

Vid. Srikanth

Corona Third Wave

Govt. to set up Paediatric Wards in all District Hospitals

Bengaluru, June 2 (SSV)- The State Government has decided to set up Paediatric Wards in all District Hospitals as part of its preparedness to face the possible third wave of COVID-19 pandemic, said Health and Medical Education Minister Dr. K. Sudhakar.

Talking to media after chairing a meeting with senior officials of Health and Family Welfare and Medical Departments to review the prevailing COVID-19 situation in the State and containment measures here yesterday, he said a dedicated 70-80 bed Paediatric Ward will be prepared in all District Hospitals. Additional Paediatricians and nursing staff will also be recruited wherever it is necessary. A special training session will be conducted through RGUHS to train MBBS and other technical staff. Oxygen generation plant will be set up in every Taluk and District Hospital across the State, he noted.

Dr. Sudhakar said seven genomic labs will be established across the State to study the mutated strains found in second wave. These labs will come up at 5 Medical Colleges, Wenlock Hospital in Mangaluru and Vijayapura District Hospital. This study will help us to understand the virus better and for development of better medicine and treatment protocol based on the nature of virus.

Dr. K. Sudhakar

Lockdown restrictions

On relaxing the current complete lockdown, he said Technical Advisory Committee has submitted its report and Chief Minister will decide on modalities of easing restrictions gradually. Experts have advised that restrictions can be eased if positivity rate is less than 5 percent and the number to cases reduces to 5,000. However, positivity rate is still high in many districts. So, they need to exercise caution.

Vaccination

He said Karnataka has received another consignment of 1.64 lakh doses of Covaxin. The available stock will be used to vaccinate citizens above 45 years who are due for second dose. Vaccine will be eventually made available to all once the supply increases, he added.

Black Fungus

The Minister said Black Fungus infection is treatable. However, in some cases where the infection has reached the eyes, removal becomes inevitable to weed out even the tiniest trace of the infection so that it does not invade the brain. If the fungus invades brain, then it is very dangerous. Hence, the eyes are removed to stop the spread to brain and not due to lack of medicine. Treatment of Black Fungus will be decided by Ophthalmologists and ENT Specialists based on the condition of each case. I am in constant touch with Union Minister for Chemicals and Fertilisers D.V. Sadananda Gowda to ensure sufficient supply of medicine, he stated.

Nurses urge CM to sanction risk allowance, vaccination to their family members

Bengaluru, June 2 (UNI)- Nurses, who are considered as frontline warriors, have urged Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa to sanction risk allowance and also free vaccination to their family members.

The Chief Minister on Monday held an hour-long digital convention with Nurses of a dozen hospitals and appreciated their tireless efforts round-the-clock in offering remedy for COVID-19 sufferers. Leaving apart all their private difficulties and sustaining distance with their family members, nurses have been rendering yeoman service to humanity, the CM added.

There are 21,574 nurses and they're being paid further risk allowance of Rs. 8,000 monthly in addition to wage, he stated.

Condoling the death of six nurses due to COVID, Yediyurappa stated that insurance coverage of Rs. 50 lakh would be distributed to family members of the deceased nurses under "Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package", insurance coverage scheme for the well being of employees preventing COVID.

The Chief Minister assured nurses of offering coaching, self-protective objects corresponding to PPE kits, gloves, masks, face shields, hand sanitisers and different necessities for discharging duties in the course of the pandemic.

On the demand for offering risk allowances, he stated an order has been issued for offering further Rs. 8,000 monthly.

Waheeda of Wenlock District Hospital, Mangaluru, urged to offer vaccination services to all family members of nurses to ensure their security. Sandhyarani of Chikkamagalur District Hospital urged the Chief Minister to fill vacancies of nurses.

Online Lec-Dem on Yoga

Mysuru, June 2- Karnataka State Dr. Gangubai Hangal (KSGH) Music and Performing Arts University, in association with Inter-University Centre on Yogic Sciences (IUCYS), has organised an online Lecture-Demonstration (Lec-Dem) on Yoga on June 3 between 4.30 pm and 6.30 pm.

Dr. Ahalya, Principal, Government Ayurveda Medical College, Bengaluru, will deliver the inaugural speech on 'Yogic lifestyle - How to implement yoga in day-to-day life (COVID-19).' Gangadhar, faculty of Yoga Centre, Bangalore University, will give a demonstration. Music Varsity VC Prof. Nagesh V. Bettakote will preside. Renukamba, Finance Officer, will be present. To access the programme, log on to following link: ***https://meet.google.com/wij-zsof-ucn***

For details, contact Co-ordinators Shankar on Mob: 98808-76095 or Ravikumar on 99869-19032 or Subramanya on 87622-00703.

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0821 - 2957811
0821 - 2957711

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94498 - 41195
94498 - 41196
0821 - 2418800

Telecare

2420112/113
0821 - 2330803
0821 - 2331803

MANDYA

08232 - 224248

District War Room

08232 - 229393

Maddur Taluk

08232 - 232010

Malavalli Taluk

08231 - 242277

Srirangapatna Taluk

08236 - 252029

Pandavapura Taluk

08236 - 255128

Nagamangala Taluk

08234 - 285045

K.R. Pet Taluk

08230 - 262227

KODAGU

COVID Hospital

08272 - 220606

District Helpline

08272 - 221077

Madikeri

08272 - 228396

Virajpet / Ponnampet

08274 - 256328

Somarpet

08276 - 282045

CH'NAGAR

95386-74839
1077

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'Netas-Babus must work in coordination to win the battle against COVID'

This is not the time to hurl allegations against each other. Need of the hour is to work in coordination with officers to defeat COVID-19 pandemic. People will not spare them if the elected representatives indulged in blame game. This is what **Chamaraja MLA and Chamaraja Constituency COVID-19 Task Force Committee Chairman L. Nagendra** opined while sharing his views with *Star of Mysore* on Corona crisis in his Constituency.

By S.B. Devaraj

Chamaraja MLA L. Nagendra

Star of Mysore (SOM): How has been COVID management in your Constituency?

Nagendra: I am feeling happy about working efficiently as the Chairman of Task Force of my Constituency. People panic if they test positive. At that time they need guidance and counselling. This is the first stage of treatment and it is being done by Task Force. Creating awareness has helped in bringing down case fatality rate and positivity rate. We hold meetings daily and take stock of the situation.

SOM: What about the co-operation of Corporators, Officers and citizens for your efforts?

Nagendra: 19 Wards come under my Constituency and all of them are extending full co-operation to check the spread of Corona no matter which political party they belonged do. So far, there has been no non-cooperation from officials and they are working closely with us. Even people are responding well and we are confident of bringing this pandemic under control soon.

SOM: What about the progress of house-to-house survey, testing and vaccination?

Nagendra: The house-to-house survey has helped in identifying Corona symptoms in people. The survey is expected to complete in two days. Our team is always ready to help in case of any medical emergency. Both symptomatic, asymptomatic, primary and secondary contacts are voluntarily undergoing RT-PCR test. Awareness on vaccination has been created resulting in more and more eligible people taking the jab.

SOM: Is 'COVID Mitra' effective in your Constituency?

Nagendra: 'COVID Mitra' will examine condition of patients and decide whether they require COVID Care Centre (CCC), home isolation or COVID Hospital. If any patient requires bed, the same will be provided through COVID War Room. Patients with common cold, headache and cough will be guided suitably and given medicine free of cost. Home-isolated positive patients will be advised to avoid contact with family members for certain number of days and then to take medicine regularly. In total, 'COVID Mitra' was functioning well and has helped in removing unnecessary tension among people.

SOM: What will you like to say to your Constituency people in the current scenario?

Nagendra: It is my responsibility to make myself available to people round-the-clock. Citizens need not worry about the contagion. I am not working as Legislator but as son of every family in my Constituency. Don't neglect when your turn comes to take medicine. Go to 'COVID Mitra' and take medicine. No other Constituency has so much of hospitals as in my Constituency. At present, there is no shortage of bed. My appeal to everyone is to wear mask, maintain social distance and sanitise hands frequently.

SOM: Your opinion on internal bickerings between elected representatives and DC Rohini Sindhuri?

Nagendra: This is the time for both elected representatives *(Netas)* and Officers *(Babus)* to work in coordination. Public will blame if both of us engaged in hurling charges against each other. I appeal one and all to fight unitedly to win the battle against the pandemic. Incidents must not create animosity among people's reps and bureaucrats. I am only bothered about the COVID management in my Constituency and not about other things.

Congress demands account of crores of rupees spent on COVID management by State Govt.

Mysuru, June 2 (PM&SSV)- Taking Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha to task for seeking details of amount spent on COVID management from Deputy Commissioner (DC) Rohini Sindhuri, Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) Spokesperson M. Lakshman has urged the MP to give account of the money spent by the State Government on Corona management since March last year.

M. Lakshman

Talking to media at Congress Bhavan here yesterday, he said that the DC, reacting to Simha's demand, has given details of Rs. 41 crore released to Mysuru district from the State Government. If the MP has guts, let him demand the State Government the details of amount spent on COVID management in the last one-and-a-half years. The Government has not bothered to give reply to over two dozen letters written to Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa on total amount spent on COVID management. No supporting documents have been released by the Government on spending Rs. 9,000 crore on COVID management since March 2020.

MCC Commissioner or DC must clarify

Lakshman urged Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Commissioner Shilpa Nag or the DC to clarify whether the statement of K.R. Nagar MLA S.R. Mahesh that 969 persons have died in Mysuru district from May 1 to 30, this year, was right or wrong.

It seems that the District Administration was trying to hide the number of deaths daily. According to Congress sources, around one lakh people have succumbed to this virus during the second wave in all 31 districts in State.

Instead of attacking the DC, MP Simha must pressurise the DC and the MCC Commissioner to come out with the exact number of people who have died of Corona. It appears that they might have received instructions from the Union Government to conceal Corona deaths.

Probe by SC Judge

He wanted a probe by a sitting Judge of Supreme Court (SC) to find out the total Corona-related deaths in the country as the Union Government was trying to mislead people by showing less death.

A well-researched article in *The New York Times* had estimated 7 crore infected and 42 lakh death in the country since March last year. However, the Government has been denying the media reports.

Lakshman claimed that 2,073 ventilators allotted to the State under PM CARES were not functioning on arrival. Under this circumstances, how was it possible to install them in Government Hospitals, he wondered.

Transport Department's Helpline

Bengaluru, June 2 (KMS&DM)- The Transport Department has set up a separate Helpline for the benefit of citizens regarding transport service, ambulance service, one time monetary assistance announced by the Government for drivers etc.

The Helpline Number is 94498-63214.

In case of any complaints regarding any transport services, the members of the public can call this Helpline number, according to a press release issued by Deputy Chief Minister Laxman Savadi, who is also the Transport Minister.

Women-only COVID Care Centre comes up at Gokulam

64-bed facility established at Intl. Youth Hostel building

Mysuru, June 2 (MK&BCT)- Realising the desperate need of saving women from the killer pandemic and to make them feel that they are not marginalised, an exclusive COVID Care Centre (CCC) for women has been opened in city last evening at the International Youth Hostel building in Gokulam Second Stage. It is the first-of-its kind in Mysuru.

With the establishment of the women-only centre, the District Administration has given a new dimension to COVID care. The 64-bed facility will be managed by V.V. Puram Maternity Hospital staff with assistance from Ashakirana Hospital's doctors and nurses. The CCC was inaugurated by Corporator Bhagya Madesh in the presence of MLA L. Nagendra, former MLC D. Madegowda and Deputy Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri.

It may be recalled here that the DC had mentioned a couple of days back that during a door-to-door survey of city Wards and rural pockets, it came to light that women are neglecting themselves and not reporting COVID infection and also they are unable to go and take rest in case of contracting the disease.

The survey brought to light that there is hesitancy among women to disclose symptoms and also reach out for treatment. Also, women are not sent to COVID Care Centres as there won't be anyone to deal with household chores. This line of thought made the District Administration to set up women-only CCCs.

The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) was tasked with identifying Constituency-wise and Ward-wise COVID Care Centres to set up exclusive care facilities for women. Accordingly, the CCC was opened at International Youth Hostel building in Gokulam.

Expressing happiness over the CCC for women, Rohini Sindhuri said that such centres are opened with the main aim of helping those who cannot stay under isolation separately at home. "Mysuru will get additional three CCCs — one each at Chamaraja Constituency's Government Naturopathy and Yoga Institute with 50 beds; at Krishnaraja Constituency's Post-Matric Women's BCM Hostel near RMC with 300 beds and Narasimharaja Constituency's Farooqia Pharmacy College CCC with 200 beds. They are being set up to provide free treatment for public," she said

In rural Mysuru, there are 19 CCCs and 1,700 people are being taken care of and the administration is looking at the possibility of setting up exclusive CCCs for women in taluk levels too, the DC added. Youth Hostel Mysuru Chairman Ravikumar, MCC Health Officer Dr. D.G. Nagaraj and others were present.

N.R. COVID Care Centre upgraded

Former Corporator urges COVID patients to avail treatment at the upgraded facility

Shoukath Pasha

Mysuru, June 2- Former Corporator and Secretary of Mysore Beedi Mazdoor Association K.C. Shoukath Pasha has urged the people with COVID-19 symptoms in Narasimharaja (NR) Constituency to avail treatment at the upgraded NR COVID Care Centre (CCC) at Central Hospital for Beedi Workers in Kalyangiri.

Pointing out that the Central Hospital for Beedi Workers has been converted as the N.R. CCC with the efforts of MLA Tanveer Sait, District Administration, MCC and others, he said that the CCC has been upgraded within a month of its establishment with the following facilities;

Shoukath Pasha said that the COVID Care Centre/COVID Hospital is a 215 bed centre, out of which 24 beds are reserved for Intensive Care Unit (ICU), ventilator and step-down ICU, the work of which is in progress and will be completed at the earliest.

100 beds are meant for oxygenated beds out of which 70 are occupied and works on 30 beds is in progress which will be completed within a week. The rest of the beds would be used for isolation wards, he added.

Continuing, the former Corporator said that arrangements have been made with an agency for CT scan and blood testing to be done free of cost to the in-patients and added that free food is also being supplied to the in-patients and the staff by a Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO).

Claiming that a KSRTC bus with seven point oxygen facility is also stationed at the N.R. CCC for emergency, Shoukath said that the CCC has 10 MBBS doctors, 3 Ayush doctors 10 nursing staff, 12 trainee nurses and volunteers along with Dr. Munavar, Dr. Nayaz and Dr. Sheraz, who are monitoring the CCC.

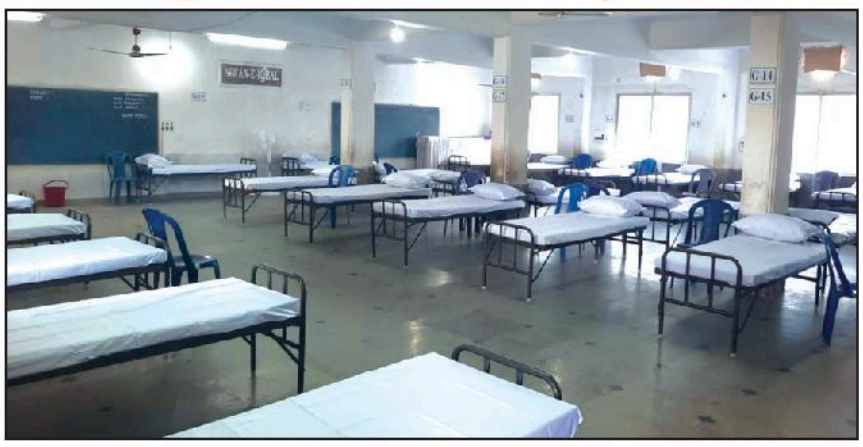
The COVID Care Centre is operating with triage system where hundreds of patients are coming as out patients and availing consultation from 8 am to 8 pm and Q Care, an NGO is supporting the doctors and nurses by taking care of a 20 bed unit at the CCC, said the former Corporator.

Also, RT-PCR and RAT Tests were being conducted daily between 10 am and 1.30 pm, Shoukath said and added that the N.R. COVID Care Centre is also working as COVID Vaccination Centre.

Pointing out that the N.R. COVID Care Centre is opened for the benefit of the public, Shoukath Pasha has urged the residents to get themselves tested at the earliest, if they have COVID symptoms and avail free treatment.

COVID coming under control in City: MCC Commr.

COVID Care Centre inaugurated at Farooqia Women's Polytechnic



Mysuru, June 2 (MK&DM)- Asserting that COVID-19 pandemic is gradually coming under control in the city, MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag said that only a couple of Red Zones in the city is ample proof for this. She was speaking after inaugurating a COVID Care Centre (CCC) at Farooqia Women's Polytechnic at Udayagiri here yesterday.

Noting that the caseload was high in city when the second wave of the deadly pandemic struck, Shilpa Nag said that due to concerted efforts of the authorities, the caseload has come down drastically over the past few days, with most of the MCC wards continuing to stay in Green Zone. Expressing hope that Mysuru will become COVID-free soon, she said that the Beedi Workers Hospital in N.R. Assembly segment has already been converted into a CCC. But as local Corporators sought one more COVID care facility, a CCC has been set up in Farooqia Women's Polytechnic, she said and added that the Corporators themselves are funding medical equipment for the centre.

Complimenting the support extended by Corporators cutting across party lines, she said that the Corporators are taking interest in testing people in all households by accompanying teams that are engaged in door-to-door survey.

Continuing, she said that the MCC has appointed 40 doctors and 40 nursing staff on contract basis to overcome shortage of medical staff at COVID treatment facilities. Shilpa Nag said that many people have volunteered to be part of non-medical COVID duties. Former Mayor Ayub Khan said that a COVID Care Centre was set up at Farooqia College when the pandemic broke out last year, where more than a thousand people got treated. Now the centre has been opened on the same lines with support from many organisations.

Former Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath, Deputy Mayor Anwar Baig, Corporators Shantakumari, Ashwini Ananthu, Usha Narayanappa, social activist Nabeel Mohammed Khan and others were present.

'Vaidyara Nade, Halliya Kade'

Mammoth RAT drive in rural areas from tomorrow to flush out Coronavirus

- **DC holds review meeting**
- **Five teams to visit each Taluk**
- **RAT test on symptomatic patients**

Mysuru, June 2 (RK&SSV) - A mammoth Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) drive will be launched across the District from tomorrow to screen symptomatic patients at their place and shift them to Hospital or COVID Care Centre depending upon the seriousness of their health condition.

This is as part of 'Vaidyara Nade, Halliya Kade', a programme coined by the District Administration for early detection and treatment of COVID infected persons. Such a programme was necessary in the wake of surge in Corona positive cases in rural areas.

Sharing details with *Star of Mysore* this morning, ZP Chief Executive Officer A.M. Yogesh, who is also the Convener of COVID Task Force, said five teams will visit every Taluk from tomorrow and head straight to a particular village or hobli which has more number of symptomatic patients with fever, cough or cold.

The District Administration has a list of symptomatic patients who were detected during the ongoing house-to-house health survey in rural areas. Accordingly, each taluk has around 2,000 such patients.

Each team consists of final year MBBS student, ASHA and Anganwadi workers and a cop. After reaching the village, a camp will be held where all those symptomatic patients will undergo RAT as the test result will be known immediately.

Depending upon the condition of patients, doctors will decide whether they should be admitted to designated COVID Hospital or CCC. Health Officers will take necessary steps to shift such patients. He said five teams each will be sent to Mysuru Taluk, Nanjangud Taluk, Hunsur Taluk, K.R. Nagar Taluk, Periyapatna Taluk, H.D. Kote Taluk and T. Narasipur Taluk. Elaborate arrangements have been made by all Departments concerned to make this drive a big success in a bid to check the spread of Coronavirus, especially in rural areas. "We are optimistic to arrest the further spreading of virus at the earliest," he added.

Deputy Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri held a meeting here yesterday to review the preparedness before launching of this ambitious programme in the district.

The DC instructed officials to invite Legislators of the respective Assembly Constituencies for the launch of this programme. Besides, Zilla Panchayat members, Taluk Panchayat Presidents and Gram Panchayat Presidents must also be invited for the function, she added.

Rear Admiral I. B. Uthaiah is Admiral Superintendent, Naval Dockyard

Rear Admiral I. B. Uthaiah

Visakhapatnam, June 2 (Agencies)- Rear Admiral Ichettira B. Uthaiah took over as the Admiral Superintendent, Naval Dockyard, Visakhapatnam from Rear Admiral N.M. Sreekumar Nair, on May 31 in Visakhapatnam.

Rear Admiral is a naval commissioned officer rank above that of a Commodore and Captain and below that of a Vice Admiral. On handing over the helm at Naval Dockyard, Visakhapatnam, Rear Admiral Sreekumar Nair would take over as Director General Naval Project at Visakhapatnam, on promotion as Vice-Admiral.

Uthaiah was commissioned into the Indian Navy in November 1987. He holds a B.Tech degree in Marine Engineering, an M.Tech degree in Mathematical Modelling and Computer Simulation and an M.Phil degree in Strategic Studies.

In his 33 years of service, the Rear Admiral has served the Indian Navy in various capacities, with appointments at the Warship Design Directorate, Training Academies, Naval Dockyard and at the Command and Naval Headquarters.

His key staff appointments cover areas of Warship Design, Building and Acqui-sition; Warship Operation, Maintenance and Repair, Officer Training and Project Management of a mega Marine and Civil Infrastructure Project. His recent operational and staff appointments include General Manager (Refit) at Naval Dockyard, Visakhapatnam, and Principal Director (Ship Production).

On being elevated to the rank of Rear Admiral, the officer was appointed as Additional Director General (Technical) at Headquarters, Project Seabird. The mega project involves the creation of a futuristic Naval Base at Karwar, with four self-contained townships, a Naval Air station and a 400-bed tertiary care hospital.

An alumnus of the Naval War College, he was awarded the Vishist Seva Medal (VSM) for distinguished service at Naval Dockyard and was instrumental in concluding major warship construction contracts with Russian and Indian Shipyards as Principal Director.

The equivalent ranks of Rear Admiral in the Indian military are Major General (Army) and Air Vice Marshal (Air Force). Uthaiah is the son of Ichettira M. Belliappa (Bollu) and Lalitha (Cheppudira). Belliappa was serving as an officer at the Housing Board in Chennai. After retirement, he came to Kodagu and settled in Makkandur.

Uthaiah is married to Ramya, daughter of Maneyapanda Ravi. The couple has two children. While their daughter is pursuing her legal studies, their son is an architect. Uthaiah's brother I.B. Viju Bopanna is working as a Global Drive Officer with Coca-Cola in the US.

68 percent house-to-house survey completed in rural areas: ZP CEO

Mysuru, June 2 (RKB&SSV)- Nearly 68 percent of houses have been covered under house-to-house survey in rural areas, said Zilla Panchayat Chief Executive Officer (CEO) A.M. Yogesh, who is also the Convener of Rural Task Force Committee.

Sharing this information at Task Force Committee meeting yesterday, he said there are 1,760 villages, 266 Gram Panchayats in eight taluks with 3,29,746 families. ASHA, Anganwadi and Health volunteers visited 3,29,746 houses and collected information and the rest 1.17 lakh families will be covered soon. Percentage of coverage is as follows:

T. Narasipur - 93.5 percent, Hunsur - 91.7 percent, Periyapatna - 90.4 percent, H.D. Kote - 57.5 percent, K.R.Nagar - 77.4 percent, Mysuru Taluk - 41.5 percent, Nanjangud - 59.7 percent and Saragur - 32.9 percent.

Karnataka Exhibition Authority Chairman Hemanth Kumar Gowda said that as part of "Vaidyara Nade, Halliya Kade," five ambulances have been given to each taluk. Each ambulance with a doctor, nurse, ASHA worker and a swab collector will visit every village. This programme will be formally inaugurated by District Minister S.T. Somashekar.

The Task Force meeting discussed the progress of house-to-house survey, visit to COVID Mitra Centres to hear problems and examine arrangements and to review vaccination. The Health Department officers were asked to take action against clinics in rural areas which were violating safety protocol.

ZP Dy. Secretary Dr. Krishnaraju, DHO Dr. T. Amarnath, MYLAC Chairman N.V. Phanish, Compost Corporation Chairman S. Mahadevaiah, Khadi and Village Industries Board Chairman Krishnappa were present.

Party during lockdown!

Eight youths booked

Mysuru, June 2 (RK&KS)- KRS Police have registered a case against eight youths including four girls for indulging in fun and frolic at KRS Backwaters by violating the lockdown guidelines. The Police have seized a KIA and a Volkswagen car belonging to the youths.

Cases have been registered under Section 51(b) of The National Disaster Management Act-2005 and Section 15(A) of Karnataka Excise Act-1965 along with Section 269 (negligence likely to spread infection) of the IPC against them.

The youths, who entered from the southern side of KRS reservoir in the early hours of yesterday, were seen consuming liquor and dancing to songs being played through car music system. A patrol team headed by Inspector S.P. Swamy of Karnataka State Industrial Force (KSIF), on hearing loud music, found the youths along with two cars and brought them to the Police Station for questioning.

A senior officer said that the youths had violated the protocols including inter-district movement despite ban and entering a restricted area, where they partied and consumed liquor.

It is learnt that as the youths belonged to influential families, there was pressure against the Cops not to book cases. But the swift action by Mandya Police foiled the attempts of the accused to go scot-free.

MLA Ramdas visits crematoriums dedicated for COVID-dead

Mysuru, June 2 (MTY&DM)- With rising COVID case fatalities rate in the district, Krishnaraja (KR) MLA S.A. Ramdas, accompanied by heads of various Boards and Corporations who are put in charge of different COVID Task Forces, visited COVID-dedicated crematoriums in city yesterday and personally watched the process of the conduct of last rites of COVID-dead belonging to different communities.

Ramdas visited the crematoriums and burial grounds in Vijayanagar Fourth Stage, Jayanagar, Jodi Thenginamara Road in Bannimantap and Gowrishankarnagar.

Ramdas and others watched the last rites proceedings of the COVID-dead by wearing PPE kits and other safety gear.

Speaking on the occasion, Ramdas, who himself heads a COVID Task Force, expressed concern over rising caseload in the district in the second wave of the deadly pandemic. The District in-Charge Minister, taking note of this, formed Task Forces appointing the heads of a few Boards and Corporations as in-charge of them.

Noting that co-ordination between the Task Forces had resulted in the decline of case numbers, Ramdas lauded the efforts of crematorium workers in the last rites of the dead.

Pointing out that the workers of crematoriums are doing excellent job in giving a dignified farewell to the COVID-dead, he said that these workers have displayed humanity by conducting last rites of the dead, irrespective of the religion or community they (dead) belonged to.

Jungle Lodges and Resorts (JLR) Chairman M. Appanna, who is in-charge of the Task Force for the conduct of last rites of COVID-dead, said that he has taken measures to ensure there is no delay in the conduct of the last rites.

Lauding the services of crematorium workers for their selfless labour, he said that the demand of the workers for an Insurance cover has been forwarded to the Government for consideration.

Pointing out that Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji and Jain Samaj have donated firewood for conduct of last rites of the dead, Appanna appealed donors too to come forward for donating the same.

MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, who is in-charge of bed management, said that the last rites of the dead are being performed according to the rituals followed by the faith they belonged to.

Asserting that all the COVID-dead are being given a dignified farewell, he lauded the service of crematorium workers who are working round-the-clock.

Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Statistical Officer Anil Christie, Ayub Ahmed (who is known for performing last rites of unclaimed bodies and now engaged in last rites of COVID-dead) and other crematorium staff were honoured on the occasion. Zoo Authority of Karnataka (ZAK) Chairman L.R. Mahadevaswamy, who is in-charge of ambulance service and others were present.

Former MP demands judicial probe into trading of charges between MP and District Administration

Former Congress MP from Chamarajanagar R. Dhruvanarayan addressing a press meet at Congress Bhavan near the City Railway Station in Mysuru this morning

Mysuru, June 2 (RKB&DM)- Accusing Mysuru-Kodagu MP, other people representatives and the District Administration of engaging in a verbal spat over spending of COVID management funds, former Congress MP from Chamarajanagar R. Dhruvanarayan has demanded a judicial probe into the matter.

Addressing a press meet at Congress Bhavan near the City Railway Station here this morning, Dhruvanarayan contended that the ongoing spat between people representatives of the ruling party and the Deputy Commissioner (DC), has brought shame to Mysuru, which has given many a great political leaders and bureaucrats to the country.

Condemning the trading of charges, the former MP said that this is not good for Mysuru, at a time when the district is battling the COVID crisis.

Asserting that the people want to know the real reason for the spat, he wanted to know how much has Mysuru got out of the funds sanctioned by the Union Government to Karnataka for tackling the COVID pandemic, with MP Pratap Simha claiming that the Centre has released enough grants under PM CARES (Prime Minister's Citizen Assistance and Relief in Emergency Situations Fund), State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) and National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF).

Alleging that money has changed hands in the setting up of step-down COVID medical facilities, he urged the Government to conduct a thorough probe into the charges in order to know who received kickbacks.

Accusing District Minister S.T. Somashekar of acting like a BJP District in-Charge Minister, Dhruvanarayan claimed that the Congress has been unable to get an appointment with Somashekar for the past 10 days for discussing COVID issues.

Charging the BJP of emotionally blackmailing the people by raising Hindu sentiments, Dhruvanarayan argued that the Government had failed to take any action against the authorities in connection with the Chamarajanagar incident in which at least 24 COVID patients lost their lives at Chamarajanagar District Hospital for want of Oxygen on the intervening night of May 2-3.

District Congress President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar, KPCC Women's Wing State President Dr. Pushpa Amarnath, leaders H.A. Venkatesh, Pushpalatha Chikkanna, T.B. Chikkanna, Eshwar Chakkadi, Shivanna, Girish and others were present during the press meet.

COVID medication delivery via Drones in Telangana

Telangana, June 2- Dunzo, a deliver service on Tuesday, announced that it is all set to pilot drone delivery of medicines under the 'Medicine from the Sky' project launched by the Telangana Government in collaboration with the World Economic Forum.

The Google-backed delivery start-up is leading a Med-Air consortium along with industry experts to conduct experimental Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLOS) drone delivery flights for the project that is aimed to enable emergency medical deliveries that could include COVID-19 vaccines and other essentials.

Dunzo is amongst the entities that were recently allowed by the Central Government to conduct BVLOS experimental flights using drones.

The deliveries will be based on the Central Government's recent regulation policies for low-altitude airspace for drones and unmanned aerial vehicles.

Although the exact timeline of the pilot is yet to be revealed, Dunzo said that it was working to roll its drone deliveries out as soon as it received the go-ahead from local authorities.

The Telangana Government has partnered with the World Economic Forum, NITI Aayog, and HealthNet Global for the 'Medicine from the Sky' project.

Lose licence if you break guidelines

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If found open in violation of lockdown guidelines, the Police will forcefully shut them down and recommend the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) to suspend the Trade Licence of such shops for a month, the Police Commissioner added.

Asking the citizens to walk to their neighbourhood shops and shun moving around in vehicles on Thursday for buying of essential commodities, he cautioned that the vehicles of people found making unnecessary movement will be seized and RC (Registration Certificate) owners of seized vehicles will be booked under the provisions of National Disaster Management Act (NDMA).

Election for new Mayor

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The JD(S) had maintained suspense over its partner till the very end of the last Mayoral polls held on Feb. 24, 2021 and in the last minute, joined hands with the Congress, with which it is ruling the MCC, to win the Mayoral polls. The JD(S) had struck a deal with the Congress by giving away the Deputy Mayor's office to the Congress.

Details

Rukmini Madegowda was elected on a JD(S) ticket from MCC Ward 36 in the 2018 polls, defeating her opponent Rajani Annaiah of the Congress. Following her defeat, Rajani filed a petition in the Mysuru District Court seeking disqualification of Rukmini on the grounds of incorrect declaration of assets during the filing of nomination papers. Rajani had also prayed the Court to declare her as the winner from the Ward.

The Mysuru Principal District and Sessions Court, which heard Rajani's plea on Dec. 14, 2020, annulled Rukmini's election as Corporator and also ruled that the petitioner (Rajani Annaiah) be declared the winner. But Rukmini went on an appeal in the High Court (HC) seeking quashing of the Mysuru District Court's order.

A Single Judge Bench of the HC which took up Rukmini's plea on May 26, 2021 upheld the District Court's order annulling the election of Rukmini from MCC Ward 36. But at the same time, the HC refused to declare Rajani of the Congress as the winner from the Ward and ordered a fresh election to the Ward.

In this week's Pet Talk, Maneka gives tips on how to set up a chicken house for pet chickens

Pet Talk

Maneka Gandhi

How will I know if my chicken is ill?

Keep an eye out for signs of illness, such as a pale comb (the top of their head), heavy breathing, coughing, wheezing and a runny nose.

How to pet a chicken?

As you get more comfortable with your chicken, it will allow you to pet it. Call it by its name and when it approaches, gently pet it. The sweet spot is the back of its neck underneath the fluff of its feathers — gently rub it here to calm it. Over time, your chicken might be comfortable sitting in your lap and letting you pet it. Try carrying your chicken around while you pet it to make it feel more comfortable around you. Do not make much sound while approaching it. It should never be sudden or too quiet as it might run away. Try scattering some oats or other treats along the ground and move around while doing so. Play hide-and-seek by hiding while your chicken forages, and clucking to it. You can also dig a small hole, hide a red bell pepper or red fruit (without seeds) and fill it loosely with dirt — chickens are drawn to the colour red.

Do chickens like to be scratched?

It depends on the relationship the chicken has with the person who is scratching it. If he likes it, it will let you do it. Else it will jump off and move away.

Why do chickens squat down their bodies?

The most common reason for hens / chicken to squat down is when they want to express their unwillingness to do something. Another reason she squats down is to allow the rooster to mate with her.

Are chickens scared of loud noises?

Yes, generally chickens get startled when they hear a sudden noise, and start flapping around.

What do chickens eat?

Fresh feed is important for a healthy chicken and they should be allowed to eat as much food as they want. Provide baby chickens with a grower/ starter diet (20 percent protein and 4 percent fat) until 20 weeks of age. Give laying hens a laying diet, which is usually 16 percent protein and 3.5 to 5 percent calcium. Finally, give your roosters and non-laying hens a maintenance diet. If you can't find one, dilute laying ration with 20 percent fresh fruits and vegetables.

Supplement your chicken's diet with grit, probiotics, dried herbs, food-grade dichotomous earth, flower petals, leftovers (oatmeal, pasta, rice, fresh greens), fresh produce and protein-rich foods.

Add 1 tablespoon (15 mL) of apple cider vinegar per 1 gallon (3.8 L) of water, 3 to 4 times a week, to prevent disease, boost immunity, and discourage parasites. Just make sure to only add it to plastic water drinkers.

Mix in 1 crushed clove of garlic into your chicken's water daily to boost its immune system and prevent worms.

Can I lift the chicken by its wings or feet?

Do not grab a chicken by the wings or legs. In order to keep the chicken calm and content, you should hold it in a comfortable way. Grabbing it by its appendages will only make the animal struggle to get free, and possibly get injured, instead of making it comfortable enough to be petted.

How to set up a chicken house for pet chickens?

Your chicken needs enough space to exercise and move freely. Take a look at your garden before buying your chicken house and make sure you have enough room. Or, a fenced-in yard to let your chicken loose is ideal. Make sure the chicken house is covered overhead and surrounded by a fence, so predators can't get inside. Align the perches so that there's enough space for your chickens to get on and off them without hurting themselves. Create your own perch by running a piece of wood, or a tree branch, horizontally across the chicken house.

Do chickens need a bedding area to sit?

Yes, hens need a bedding area. Straw is the most common choice for bedding due to its residual warmth, cushioning, and a fun environment for your chicken to pick through. Wood shavings are also good. Regardless of what you use, purchase enough to cover the floor of the house in a 2 inch (5.1 cm) thick layer. Purchase chicken house bedding from pet stores. Don't use sawdust.

Do we need to clean a chicken's house regularly?

Chickens need a clean environment to thrive. Scoop droppings, refill water, and feed them daily. Once a week you should wash feeders and waterers and air dry them. Every month, rake out all your chicken bedding, sweep the floor, scrub the floors, walls, and roosts, scrape off waste, and put in clean bedding.

Is it safe to play music for chickens?

Chickens have a great sense of hearing and respond not just to various sounds but also pleasant-sounding music. Try playing some classical music in front of your chicken. You can also hum, whistle, and sing to get its attention. Try playing a flute or guitar for your chicken.

Can we talk to chickens?

Chickens are very chatty little creatures. They have a proper language and they talk to you and each other. Communicating with them is easier than you think. Listen closely to the different sounds the chicks, hens, and rooster make. Then, try speaking back to them. Communicating with your chickens can help you train them to obey simple commands and will strengthen your bond with them.

What kind of weather do chickens need to survive?

Although chickens are very adaptable to weather changes, they usually perform their best around 23 degree C. Consistently high summer temperatures can cause your chickens to suffer from heat stress, overheating. For heavier breeds, extreme heat can even cause death. If chickens are a hardy breed and their coop is properly prepared, most chickens will not need heat in winter. If your temperatures are extremely low for long periods of time, your birds may need some extra warmth to survive.

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Yuva Brigade to provide food kits for private school teachers

Mysuru, June 2 (SSV)- In the name of 'Guru Gourava,' Yuva Brigade is busy in packing food kit at Gopalaswamy Shishuvihara in city to be distributed among teachers of private schools who are in distress owing to current COVID crisis.

Noted writer, Chakravarthi Sulibele has been involved in this programme.

Each kit consists of 10 kg rice, 2 kg dal, 2 kg sugar, 2 kg soji, 2 kg wheat flour and one litre edible oil. Packing was going on for the last one week. Similar packing of food kits has also been going on in Kanakadasa Shikshana Samiti, Hubballi and B.N.M.T. premises in Bengaluru.

Infosys Chairperson Dr. Sudha Murty has come forward to sponsor for 2,500 kits with different items like millet flour, jaggery and flattened rice, along with the food kits of Yuva Brigade. Packing of this 1,500 kits were going on in Gopalaswamy Shishuvihara.

Over 50 volunteers from Mysuru, Nanjangud, T. Narasipur, Srirangapatna and Mandya are involved in packing of this food kits. Sri Shanthivrathananda Swamiji of Ramakrishna Ashram visited the spot and blessed the volunteers.

The distribution of these kits will start from tomorrow.

Milk adulteration scam unearthed in ManMUL

- Nagamangala Sub-Division Dy.SP-led team to probe
- District Minister K.C. Narayangowda inspects Milk Body premises

Mandya, June 2 (Mohan Raj)- Amidst the COVID crisis, a milk adulteration scam has been unearthed in ManMUL (Mandya Milk Union Limited), located at Gejjalagere on Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway, following which a high-level probe has been ordered.

The contractor, who is entrusted with transporting milk, has been accused of mixing water with milk before delivering it to ManMUL and *prima facie,* it has been found that some employees are hand-in-glove in this scam.

The President and a Director of ManMUL are instrumental in the unearthing of the scam, following which a probe has begun under the supervision of Nagamangala Sub-Division Dy.SP N. Naveen Kumar.

The ManMUL had awarded tender for transporting milk collected at different BMC centres in Maddur taluk on a daily basis to ManMUL at Gejjalagere. But some days after entering into the contract, the contractor wrote a letter seeking to replace the RMT tankers in which the milk was supposed to be transported as they had come for repairs. But on May 27, a milk tanker was found parked at a milk centre belonging to a private brand milk producer at Somanahalli, giving rise to suspicions.

Acting on a tip-off, a few staff of ManMUL raided the premises and began to enquire about the ownership of the tanker, when the driver fled from the spot. Upon investigation, it was found that half of the milk was meant to be delivered at the centre, while the remaining half was to be mixed with water. It was also discovered that the tanker had different compartments for filling of milk and water, with an opening in between. On further enquiry, it came to light that the tankers were used for supplying pure milk to private dairies and water mixed adulterated milk to ManMUL.

The unearthing of the scam has shocked ManMUL, Milk producers and consumers alike. The milk producers, who are the backbone of the milk body, have urged for stringent action against those found guilty.

Reacting to the scam, Mandya District Minister K.C. Narayangowda said that he will not tolerate injustice to farmers.

Complimenting the Board of Directors for unearthing the scam, he said that adulteration is akin to backstabbing of farmers. Assuring that the accused will be brought to book, he said that the Government will not spare anyone involved in the scam.

Former Minister and senior Congress leader N. Cheluvarayaswamy said that it is shocking to learn about adulteration of milk in ManMUL. Claiming that there is a racket behind this, he wanted the Government to conduct a probe and punish the guilty.

Melukote MLA demands CID probe

Mandya, June 2 (Mohanraj &DM)- Melukote JD(S) MLA C.S. Puttaraju has demanded a CID probe into the alleged milk adulteration scam that was recently unearthed in ManMUL (Mandya Milk Union Limited).

C.S.Puttaraju

Speaking to press persons here yesterday, Puttaraju, who is also a former Minister, said that the scam may have happened in all other Milk Unions across the State and as such the Government should take serious note of it and order a CID probe.

Commending the ManMUL administration for unearthing the scam, he said that dragging the name of ManMUL President and former Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy (HDK) in the scam was not correct.

Contending that Kumaraswamy was in no way connected with the scam, Puttaraju said that HDK cannot be blamed just because one of his relatives is suspected to be involved in the scam.

Pointing out that Congress Government was in power when the alleged kingpin Ranjankumar, the owner of milk tankers, was awarded the tender for milk transportation, the MLA said that, as such, the point of suspicion must be targeted at the Congress, which had control of ManMUL then and not JD(S).

Arguing that there should be no politics on such a serious issue of milk adulteration, where milk was allegedly mixed with equal quantity of water, he reiterated his demand for a CID probe into the scam in order to find out the truth. He further said that he was ready to talk with Opposition Leader Siddharmaiah too on the issue.

Referring to COVID situation in Mandya district, Puttaraju asserted that enforcement of strict lockdown had resulted in the decline of COVID caseload in the district. He argued that further extension of the lockdown will help in bringing the deadly pandemic under control.

Maintaining that it has been planned to set up Oxygen Plants in all taluks of the district, he said that the Plants will be set up at Pandavapura and K.R. Pet in the first stage. Film producer Vijay Kiragandur is ready to fund the Oxygen Plants, he added.

Continuing, Puttaraju said that he has facilitated to-and-fro ambulance service from Pandavapura to Mysuru and Mandya and appealed COVID affected families to make use of this service.

Obituary

B.J. Nirup Kumar

Mysuru, June 2- B.J. Nirup Kumar (66), Partner of Sri Jwalamala Roller Flour Mills at city's Industrial Suburb and Director of Mysuru Flour Mills, passed away yesterday in city following a heart attack.

He had also served as the Vice-President of Sri Shanthinath Seva Samithi. He leaves behind one son, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held in city.

M. Shiva Swamy

M. Shiva Swamy (73), retired Assistant Sub-Inspector (ASI) and a resident of J.P. Nagar, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife, one son, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Veerashaiva Burial Grounds in Vidyaranyapuram today.

Puttadevamma (Rajamma)

Puttadevamma (Rajamma), wife of Chikkamahadevappa and a resident of Gokulam 3rd Stage, passed away in city. She was 71. She leaves behind a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held in city.

Ravi

Ravi (40), a resident of K.G. Koppal, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at K.G. Koppal Burial Grounds yesterday evening.

Cheluvacharya

Cheluvacharya (67), retired Electrical Engineer and a resident of Hosabandikeri, passed away following a heart attack yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife B.N. Rukmini, daughter Vidushi R.C. Rajalakshmi, son R.C. Ashok and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday.

Shashidhar

Bannur: Shashidhar (65), Proprietor of Sarvamangala Nanjegowda Kalyana Mantap at Bannur, passed away on Monday in the town. He leaves behind his wife, one son and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at Kunthanahalli village.

Rathnamma

Hunsur: Rathnamma (52), sister of Hunsur's Women' First Grade College Economics lecturer Puttashetty, passed away on Sunday, following a heart attack.

She leaves behind her husband, children, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Nanjapura village in the taluk on Monday.

Channappa

Channappa (83), husband of former Zilla Parishat Member Usha Channappa and a relative of MLC A.H. Vishwanath, passed away at a private hospital in Mysuru on Sunday.

He leaves behind his wife, three sons, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the family's farm land in Mookanahalli village in the taluk.

S. Ramachandra

Chamarajanagar: S. Ramachandra (Shashi), son of late Subbanna (a farmer leader and an industrialist), passed away yesterday. He was 48 and had served as the President of Rotaract.

He leaves behind his wife Ashwini, son Suyogsimha, brothers and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at Shankara Burial Grounds in the town this morning.

A.C. Rajashekar Murthy

A.C. Rajashekar Murthy (60), former Director of Chamarajanagar TAPCMS and HOPCOMS, passed away on Monday at a private hospital in Mysuru following a heart attack.

He leaves behind his wife Shylaja, son Vinayraj, daughter Vidyashree, brother former President of Raitha Sangha A.C. Siddaraju and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at his farm land on Monday.

G. Jayamma

Srirangapatna: G. Jayamma (79), a retired Head Mistress, passed away yesterday in the town. She had served for about 38 years as a teacher and Head Mistress at various schools in Srirangapatna, Baburayanakoppal and Dasaraguppe.

She leaves behind two sons, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at Srirangapatna.

WORD OF THE DAY

Gadfly

Pronunciation: GAD-flye.
Meaning: Any of various flies (such as a horsefly, botfly, or warble fly) that bite or annoy livestock; a person who stimulates or annoys other people by persistent criticism.
Origin: The history of gadfly starts with gad, which now means "chisel" but which formerly could designate a spike, spear, or rod for goading cattle. Late in the 16th century, gad was joined with fly to designate any of several insects that aggravate livestock. Before too long, we began applying gadfly to people who annoy or provoke others. One of history's most famous gadflies was the philosopher Socrates, who was known for his constant questioning of his fellow Athenians' ethics, misconceptions, and assumptions. In his Apology, Plato describes Socrates' characterization of Athens as a large and sluggish horse and of Socrates himself as the fly that bites and rouses it. Many translations use gadfly in this portion of the Apology, and Socrates is sometimes referred to as the "gadfly of Athens."
Example: "One of a handful of well-known corporate gadflies, she often cut a distinctive figure, appearing in costumes that she thought would underscore her messages to company leaders. For an American Broadcasting Company meeting in 1966, not long after the network's campy series 'Batman' had its premiere, she wore a Batman mask; ..." — Emily Flitter, The New York Times

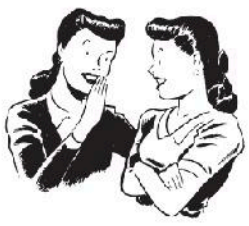
THE ODD WORD

Galactophorous

Bearing or carrying milk.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Get a word in edgeways



Meaning: Join a conversation in which another is speaking continually and leaving little opportunity for others.
Origin: 'A word in edgeways', or as it is sometimes written 'a word in edgewise', is a 19th century expression that was coined in the UK. 'Edgeways/ edgewise' just means 'proceeding edge first'. The allusion in the phrase is to edging sideways through a crowd, seeking small gaps in which to proceed through the throng. The phrase 'edging forward' exactly describes this inch-by-inch progress. It was first used in the 17th century, typically in nautical contexts and referring to slow advance by means of repeated small tacking movements, as here in Captain John Smith's The generall historie of Virginia, New-England and the Summer Isles 1624: After many tempests and foule weather, about the foureteenth of March we were in thirteene degrees and an halfe of Northerly latitude, where we descried a ship at hull; it being but a faire gale of wind, we edged towards her to see what she was.

QUOTE BOX

Life is never fair and perhaps it is a good thing for most of us that it is not.

—Oscar Wilde

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

11111
NOON

Answer: Once upon a time.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 ___ down: subsided?
5 North Atlantic fish of herring family
9 Fireplace shelf
12 Former currency of Peru
13 1024 gigabytes
15 By mouth
16 International law enforcement agency
17 Gives back
19 Triumphs, is victorious
20 Two-year old sheep
21 Of extravagantly florid style
23 Arrives; doesn't go
26 Which person?
27 A former French coin of low denomination
28 Tinted
29 Chinese code of behaviour
30 Bites or nibbles at
31 Aeronautical Telecommunications Network
32 Road vehicle
33 A large-headed friction match
34 Surgical drill
36 Flightboard abbr.
37 Actor Alda
38 Tomb inscription
42 Capital of Tripura
44 Eye part
45 Germanic
46 Duty-roster
47 Common Display Sys.
48 Cut, snicker - "seen" anagram?
49 Large water jug

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

A	D	V	■	N	E	W	S	■	S	P	I	N
L	I	A	■	E	R	A	T	■	E	L	B	A
A	R	P	E	G	G	I	O	■	R	C	M	P
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■	■	■	L	I	D	■	T	A	N	D	E	M
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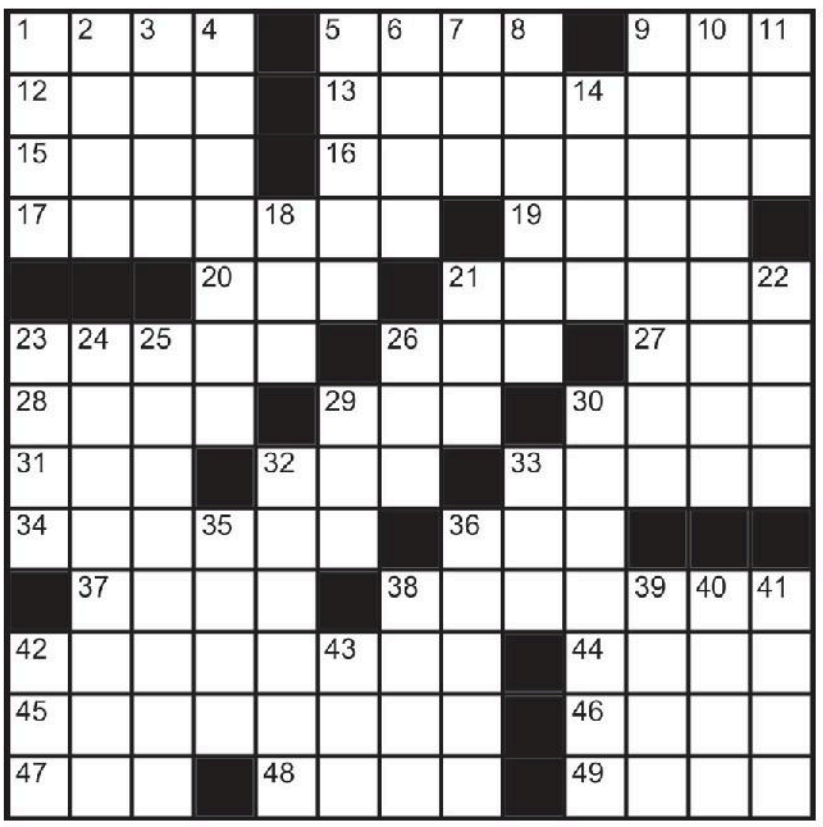
■	■	■	O	E	N	E	■	D	E	F	E	R
S	O	U	P	■	R	E	M	O	D	E	L	S
A	L	T	I	■	O	R	E	S	■	T	A	V
O	D	E	A	■	L	O	T	A	■	A	N	P

DOWN

1 Fashion name: Christian ___
2 Concerning, in legal terms (2,2)
3 Change of Govt. : coup d'____
4 With added liquid
5 Insect bite
6 Egg producers?
7 ___ Garfunkel of Simon & Garfunkel fame
8 They got taken over by GM
9 Putting in trance
10 An instrument for examining the ear
11 Ten decibels?
14 ___-a-brac: things of little value
18 Legal thing
21 Seventeenth letter of the Greek alphabet
22 English river
23 Casual talk
24 Offended grossly
25 Husband of Helen of Troy
26 State of conflict
29 Light brown
30 Bring up
32 Divisions of a long poem
33 Sat. preceder
35 It's not the whole thing
36 Swiftly or quickly
38 Nobelist Wiesel
39 Declare
40 Sneaky ____ : a tell-tale person, should we say?
41 A sea-fog - "Ahar" anagram?
42 Air traffic control
43 Popular girl's name - "Nan" anagram?



SUDOKU

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	6							
			2		5	7		
8	9	5			2	3		
		7				5		
		6	5			1	2	9
		9	4		7			
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	3					2	5	

Answer to previous puzzle

1	4	2	6	8	3	5	9	7
9	7	3	1	2	5	6	4	8
8	5	6	4	9	7	1	2	3
4	2	1	9	5	8	7	3	6
7	6	8	3	4	1	2	5	9
3	9	5	7	6	2	8	1	4
5	1	7	8	3	9	4	6	2
6	8	9	2	1	4	3	7	5
2	3	4	5	7	6	9	8	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

C HIMA EPLJSU AQJ XRPXV, UPA KJ

EPLJSUJY KN CA.

TODAY'S CLUE: K EQUALS B

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: The government's view of the economy could be summed up in a few short phrases: If it moves, tax it. If it keeps moving, regulate it. And if it stops moving, subsidize it.

Ambulances, oxygen concentrators, medical and grocery kits donated

MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag seen handing over grocery kits to advocates as MP Pratap Simha, DCP Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda, 'Law Guide' Editor H.N. Venkatesh and others look on.

Mysuru, June 2 (KS)- Continuing the services to the needy and to the District Administration, various organisations, individuals and political leaders have donated ambulances, oxygen concentrators, medical and groceries kits to the needy.

City-based 'Law Guide' monthly publishers distributed ration kits containing 25 kg rice, 5 kg flour, 3 kg of different grains, 4 kg sugar, 1 litre edible oil (cooking oil) and other ration articles to advocates here on Monday.

Speaking on the occasion, MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag said that she had served in many parts of the State, but she was lucky to serve the people of Mysuru in these trying times when the COVID pandemic is on a rampage and appreciated the services of 'Law Guide' in this critical juncture.

MLA S.A. Ramdas along with MCC COmmissioner Shilpa Nag, Health Officer Dr. D.G. Nagaraj flagging off the free two oxygen-fitted ambulances in city on Monday.

MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag handing over grocery bags to Pourakarmikas as Basavamarga Foundation President S. Basavaraju and others look on.

Malabar Gold & Diamonds stores across the State, as part of their CSR initiative, distributed food kits to the needy people in their respective store jurisdiction. The food kits were distributed through various charitable trusts and other welfare association in the region.

Asserting that she can never ever forget her service in Mysuru, Shilpa Nag said that many organisations in Mysuru were working behind the scenes for the welfare of people in these trying times and she was grateful for such donors and organisations.

MP Pratap Simha, who was a guest of Honour, lauded the service of 'Law Guide' and said that Mysureans have a better civic sense and added that it is the time when everyone should work unitedly and with co-ordination.

Noting that a few lapses may take place as officials are working on a war-footing to tackle the virus, Simha said that it is his duty to highlight any lapses that may occur in the way. Asserting that his sole aim is to do some good for Mysuru, the MP said that the second wave of attack of the deadly virus has posed a severe challenge to humanity and in such a situation it is important that everyone work together for saving lives and livelihood.

Mysuru Bar Association President Anand Kumar, recalling that 'Law Guide' had extended monetary help to several advocates who suffered from financial crisis during the outbreak last year, said that Mysuru Bar Association had lost about 40 of its members since the outbreak last year, while several other advocates are undergoing treatment for the virus in Hospitals. He complimented the services of 'Law Guide' to the legal fraternity.

Continuing, Anand Kumar said that the Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA) Chairman Hemanth Kumar Gowda has donated medical kits worth about Rs. 1 lakh to advocates who are in home isolation.

DCP Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda and senior advocate M.D. Harish Kumar Hegde also spoke.

'Law Guide' editor H.N. Venkatesh, advocate B.V. Ramamurthy and others were present.

MLA S.A. Ramdas, marking the seventh anniversary of Narendra Modi-led BJP Government at the Centre, launched various service initiatives and flagged off two-Oxygen fitted ambulances for free service in city on Monday .

The MLA also launched door-to-door health check up for oxygen saturation levels and thermal screening in Chamundipuram, Vidyaranyapuram, Srirampura and Kuvempunagar. Ramdas said that the Health Department, MCC, ASHA workers and Police Department personnel are visiting households for checking residents for any COIVD symptoms. Those showing symptoms will be sent to the nearest Primary Health Centre for treatment.

As part of Women's Day, a free eye-check up camp was held at the MLAs office, where 234 prescribed people were distributed glasses and 34 others were recommended for surgery.

MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag, Corporators Geethashree Yoganand, M.V. Ramprasad and Shivakumar, BJP leaders M. Vadivelu, Santosh Shambu, M.R. Balakrishna, Sandeep and others were present.

Basavamarga Foundation of city, distributed grocery kits to the needy which was launched by MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag. Foundation Founder S. Basavaraju distributed about 50 kits to Pourakarmikas besides taking up the distribution of 1,000 food packets daily. Namma Mysuru Foundation Founder K. Dasharath, industrialist and social worker Rangaraju, Mahesh Kumar of Indian TV and others were present.

Oxygen buses breathe life into COVID patients

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A boon to patients

"Each bus has been fitted with eight oxygen cylinders and two oxygen concentrators. If there is unusual crowd at the screening centre, the patients can comfortably wait in the buses with oxygen support. And they can also be shifted either to their homes, COVID Care Centres or hospitals based on their medical conditions," Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Commissioner Shilpa Nag told *Star of Mysore* this morning.

Of the six oxygen-on-wheels, four are from Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) and two have been donated by Agarwal Samaj. Family members of the patients sometimes fail to establish contacts with the COVID War Room and therefore take the patients to the hospital directly creating further burden on the hospital. The six oxygen-on-wheels in Mysuru has eased this problem.

Not only this, the oxygen-on-wheels has helped shift patients from COVID Care Centres to diagnostic centres to get patient CT scan and other medical tests done. Patients are made to sleep inside the bus and they can wait for their turn and effortlessly inhale the life-saving gas. The buses also doubled up as ambulances when critical patients had to be shifted from care facilities to ICUs in the non-availability of ambulances at that particular time.

An Oxybus stationed in front of Seth Mohandas Tulsidas Hospital on JLB Road here this morning.

Service in Taluks

"Mysuru city is self-sufficient now and we have many cylinders for use and also for back-up. We have many oxygen concentrators donated by kind-hearted individuals. Earlier, the scene was different with lack if beds and oxygen. As such we have decided to move all the six oxygen-on-wheels to Taluks," Shilpa Nag said.

A meeting was held yesterday where the MCC Commissioner informed the District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. T. Amarnath that the buses can be shifted to Taluks where they can be stationed in front of rural COVID Care Centres.

DHO Dr. Amarnath said that the oxygen-on-wheels will be put to maximum use in rural areas. "We have a requirement and the location of the buses will be decided after taking into consideration the oxygen-supply infrastructure in Taluks and also the number of patients who need support," he said.

Family of four enters into suicide pact

Tragedy in Chamarajanagar village; victims include two teenaged girls

Chamarajanagar, June 2 (SS&BCT)- In a heart-rending incident, a family of four including two teenaged girls entered into a suicide pact at a village near Chamarajanagar. The reason for the family to take this extreme step is not, however, known.

The incident came to light this morning at H. Mookahalli in Chamarajanagar Taluk where farmer Mahadevappa (47), his wife Mangalamma (40) and children Jyothi (14) and Shruthi (12) were found hanging in the hall of their small house.

A co-farmer of the village had come to Mahadevappa's house this morning to invite him to purchase sugarcane stocks from the market. Though he knocked the door a couple of times and called Mahadevappa over phone there was no response, nor did he hear any sound from inside.

The person then used a ladder to climb on the house to remove the tiles. The bodies of all the four were found hanging from the ceiling. The villager then alerted the neighbours and also the Police. Neighbours said that Mahadevappa had three daughters and the elder one is married.

The family is suspected to have entered into the suicide pact late last night as one Kumar had called Mahadevappa at 9 pm yesterday. Kumar, a fellow villager told the Police that when he spoke with Mahadevappa he did not sound depressed nor did he mention about any problems.

Mahadevappa had recently contracted COVID-19 and he was in home isolation, Kumar told the Police. It was Kumar who helped Mahadevappa to get admitted into a hospital. Neighbours said that Mahadevappa owned one-and-a-half acres of land that was purely dependent on monsoon.

It is suspected that Mahadevappa had borrowed loans and inability to pay off the debts could have driven him and family to take the extreme step. Chamarajanagar East Police have registered a case.

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